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SUBJECT: CAR PRESIDENT BOKASSA CONGRATULATES PRINCE SIHANOUK

1. CAR NATIONAL RADIO BROADCAST FOLLOWING MESSAGE APRIL 18
TO PRINCE SIHANOUK FROM PRESIDENT BOKASSA QUOTE IT IS WITH
AN IMMENSE JOY THAT THE CENTRAL AFRICAN PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT,
UNITED IN THE MOVEMENT OF SOCIAL EVOLUTION IN BLACK AFRICA
(MESAN), OUR GREAT SINGLE NATIONAL PARTY, AS WELL AS I, MYSELF,
HAVE LEARNED OF THE END OF THE LONG HISTORICAL STRUGGLE OF THE
CAMBODIAN PEOPLE UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE ROYAL GOVERNMENT OF
NATIONAL UNION OF CAMBODIA OF YOUR HIGHNESS. THE RESOUNDING
VICTORY REALIZED TODAY BY THE ARMED FORCES OF THE KHMER ROUGE
OVER THE PUPPET FORCES OF IMPERIALISM PROVES IN A DECISIVE WAY
THE JUSTICE AND THE MERIT OF THE CAUSE DEFENDED WITH COURAGE,
DETERMINATION AND ABNEGATION FOR NEARLY FIVE YEARS BY YOUR
HIGHNESS. OUR CAMBODIAN BROTHERS HAVE TODAY WON A VICTORY OVER
IMPERIALISM THAT HISTORY WILL RECORD AS ONE OF THE MOST PRECIOUS
IN THE VICTORIOUS STRUGGLE FOR THE LIBERATION OF PEOPLES.
PLEASE ACCEPT, ROYAL HIGHNESS, WITH MY VERY ENTHUSIASTIC AND WARM
CONGRATULATIONS, THE ASSURANCE OF MY VERY HIGH AND FRIENDLY
CONSIDERATION. UNQUOTE

2. COMMENT: FOR BOKASSA, WHO HAS LONG ADMIRE SIHANOUK AND
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WHO HAS A COMMITMENT TO SIHANOUK SINCE THE NO-ALIGNED CONFERENCE

AT ALGIERS IN 1973, THIS LATEST MESSAGE REPRESENTS NO CHANGE
IN CAR POLICY ON CAMBODIA/KHMER. HOWEVER, IT DOES STRESS THE
IMPERIALIST ARGUMENT AND IT STANDS IN STARK CONTRAST TO CAR
POLICY ON VIETNAM, CHINA AND KOREA WHERE IT SUPPORTS WESTERN
POSITION.

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